

AMENDMENT

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 11 and 39 as follows:

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11. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the agent alters Dam activity of a pathogenic bacteria selected from the group consisting of *Neisseria meningitidis*, *Pasteurella multocida*, and *Shigella spp.*

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39. (Amended) The composition of claim 34, wherein the bacteria is a pathogenic bacteria selected from the group consisting of *Neisseria meningitidis*, *Pasteurella multocida*, and *Shigella spp.*

REMARKS

The above preliminary amendments to the claims are requested to better define the claimed invention. No new matter is introduced by these amendments, and these amendments are not made to avoid prior art.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made".

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

In the Claims:

11. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the agent alters Dam activity of a pathogenic bacteria selected from the group consisting of [*Streptococcus pneumoniae*,] *Neisseria meningitidis*, [*Haemophilus somnus*, *Actinobacillus pleuropneumoniae*,] *Pasteurella multocida* [, *Mannheimia haemolytica*, *NT Haemophilus influenzae*, *Helicobacter pylori*] and *Shigella spp.*

39. (Amended) The composition of claim 34, wherein the bacteria is a pathogenic bacteria selected from the group consisting of [*Streptococcus pneumoniae*,] *Neisseria meningitidis*, [*Haemophilus somnus*, *Actinobacillus pleuropneumoniae*,] *Pasteurella multocida* [, *Mannheimia haemolytica*, *NT Haemophilus influenzae*, *Helicobacter pylori*] and *Shigella spp.*